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# Signs of the Times

Ann Henderson was called by Dr. John and Gwen the day after the Attack on America, to find out how we were all getting on after the terrible occurrances in New York and Washington. The Chief wanted us to know that they were thinking of us and hoped that we were all well.

Alistair, Younger of Fordell, contacted us when he arrived home in Australia from Indonesia and Malaysia. He expressed concern for our people in New York and Washington. He asked if we have any members who were affected by the events of 11 September? He reported that even though the coverage in the Asian Muslim countries was a little less than all-encompassing, there was still wide-spread sympathy and concern in there..





An emotional picture being shared across the internet. Our thanks to the unknown artist

Just a short note to pass on our condolances to all my American cousins in this moment of great sorrow. I am sending you a picture that I received last night from a friend.

May God bless us all in these very trying times.

Kind Regards

Derek J. Henderson and Family Brampton, Ont Canada

May I, on behalf of the Hendersons of Glencoe Project Group, extend to you all our deepest sympathy at this tragic time.

Ianet Henderson

The young ladies are pictured here to remind us not only of our heritage but to show us a promise of the future.



Tiffany Chatfield in Highland dress at the Virginia Games.



Erin Edwards, 7, granddaughter of Margaret Henderson, came to Grandfather from Michigan to compete.

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### President Rex Visits Regions

ontinuing with my hope to visit with all Regional Commissioners during my term as your president, I recently completed a two month sojourn to the West and was able to attend eight Scottish or Celtic events. Every one of these proved opportunities advantageous for the Clan Society as we now have nearly fifty new families on our membership roster. This influx of new members reinforces my theory that we need to get the Henderson name before the public at every opportunity and, when we do, the families seem to be everywhere one looks.

I attended four events with a regional commissioner or designated convenor and convened four other events myself. Some of the events were full fledged Highland Games (Oberlin, Ohio; Portland, Oregon; Enumclaw, Washington; Spokane, Washington; Highlands Ranch, Colorado and Charleston, West Virginia) while others (Payson, Utah and Athena, Oregon) were festivals. Each one of these events, however, was an excellent opportunity to meet with Hendersons and the septs of the clan society. (There were actually more families from the sept list signed up as new members than there were Hendersons.)

The clan society received special recognition during the "Parade of Tartans" ceremonies at many of these events and I was singularly honored as an honored guest on three occasions. With the two other events where I participated as an "Honored Guest" and the two events (Longs Peak Games at Estes Park, Colorado, and the St. Louis Highland Games) which I will

attend in September and October, we are getting a good deal of publicity. I am a firm believer in taking advantage of every opportunity that presents itself to get the Henderson name before the public and will exploit those occasions.

Our membership is now well over the 2800 figure and we have added several hundred families to our roster in the past year. Those of you who have been responsible for signing up new members (families) can be proud of the fact that your actions this past twelve months have produced an increase in membership which is more than some clans have as their total database. Our biggest selling point, when talking with new families and prospective members, is the services of our genealogist and he is certainly being kept busy with the input of family group sheets. We are also very fortunate in having a professional as the editor of our newsletter and, when this publication is compared to the efforts of other clan societies, we can proudly say, "and you will receive quarterly a copy of our award winning newsletter, An Canach."

I talked with many families who have young people that are learning the pipes, drums and highland dancing. We have several competitors in these fields that are excelling and often walking off with all the trophies and medals! When I see these wonderful young people with their great talents, I remind them and their parents, that we have a scholarship program for anyone under the age of 26 who wishes to apply for assistance in furthering their activities within

a chosen field. All they have to do is write a letter of request and forward it through their regional commissionerwe'll do the rest and it could be worth \$250 in tuition money. There is no limit to the number of youth scholarships we can present yearly to our young people and I would expect we will increase past numbers beginning this year.

You have honored me by electing me to this position and I have sworn to dedicate myself to the Clan Henderson Society for the period of my office term. I want to see a significant increase in our membership and we appear to be working very well on that project. The coming year presents an opportun-



Rex Maddox accepting Best Clan Tent Award for Scott Henderson, convenor at the Portland, Oregon Games.

ity to expand our presence in the Scottish arena and I believe we will accomplish this by "showing our colors" at every Highland Games, Celtic Festival or other event where Clans are present. If we set up a tent at any event, we will be able to let our brethren know that there not only is a Scottish Clan named Henderson, but we are the family that they want to join. We are not just the fastest growing of any

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Bob and Sandi Cameron and Patricia and Patrick Dhourin made room for a Henderson tent at Payson Celtic Festival

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Scottish Clan Society in the US and Canada, but we offer more benefits at a greater savings than other Scottish organizations.

It gives me a deep sense of pride whenever I hear or am privileged to say, "Aye, the Hendersons are here," at a torchlight ceremony!

Arizona Hendersons please turn out to welcome David



David S. Henderson will be the new Clan Henderson convenor in Arizona.

#### Clan Gunn Pride Clan Henderson Opportunity

had set up the Henderson tent in the shade of a large tree at the county fairgrounds where hold the Spokane, Washington, Highland Games. My position happened to be between two clans which we know very well because we happen to be a sept of both—the MacDonalds and the Gunns. I thought this was rather strange as it had never happened before in the several hundred events I had convened or attended for the clan society, but decided I would just have to fly my flags higher and make my banner more prominent than my neighbors on clan row.

After getting things set up that Friday afternoon, I introduced myself to both of my neighbors and found them to be somewhat surprised at having Hendersons present as this is not an event which is attended every year by our clan convenors. The number of clans present was about two dozen and I saw many familiar faces from the several games and festivals I had attended during the previous weeks of my trip. However, the story I have to tell here is not about the other Clans and their friendly members, but about David S. Henderson, convenor for the Clan Gunn.

"Henderson," you say-yep, that's right, one of our cousins standing there proud as hell in his Clan Gunn tartan kilt! I had to have an explanation for this cousin of mine being in Clan Gunn and asked him about the circumstances surrounding his becoming a member of that organization. His response was (and it is a common one amongst our cousins belonging to the Gunn and Donald groups) "I joined when I attended an event some years back and noticed the Henderson name on the Gunn sept list; there was no Clan Henderson tent present or I probably would have joined that group—I was going to get involved anyway but the Hendersons were not present at that event."

During the course of the day it became apparent that David was impressed by the number of people who presented themselves at the Henderson tent (easily twice the number than at his Gunn tent) and I felt he was "weakening" to my nearly constant information input on the Henderson Clan Society.

He confided to me that he was retiring in the near future and was moving with his wife, Sharon, to a home he had acquired in Tucson, Arizona. I saw this as an opportunity and pressed David to join our clan society in order to help us by becoming our clan convenor for the state of Arizona. It so happens there are four events held annually in Arizona and I felt that the presence of a Henderson there to convene a tent at each of these events would help us to increase our membership in that area.

Finally, David Henderson did decide to join with his namesake cousins and he filled out the membership form, agreeing to become the Arizona Convenor. He'll be at the Arizona events starting next year so when you are attending in Flagstaff, Mesa, Tucson or Phoenix, stop in the Henderson tent and say "Hi, David, congratulations on your retirement."

#### Payson, Utah Celtic Festival

If it hadn't been for the cloudy skies and shade of trees, we would have FRIED! Ninety-one degrees during the afternoon, going up from mid eighties at 8 AM. A dry heat, however, which is a lot different from the Virginia heat at this time of year.

I had set up the Henderson tent on Friday afternoon at the town park in Payson, a nice little place of about twelve thousand people located just south of Provo. My neighbors turned out to be members of the Clan Cian and Clan Cameron, with no one located across from me as that area was a stream which ran through the park. Pat and Patricia Dhourin of Clan Cian had invited me to use part of their designated Clan area as the event organizers had lost my application during their allocation of Clan spaces. It worked out very well as there was about twenty-five feet per tent and most used only ten feet.

I was joined on Saturday by many Henderson families who stopped by the tent to chat and get out of the sun. We were pleased to add Betty Mosher of Genola, Utah; Stanley Henderson of Salt Lake City; Schuyler Pack of Ogden; Jane Wright of Mapleton and the Nebeker family of Orem as new Clan Society members. Four other families or individuals took membership forms with them and seemed very interested in becoming members-these were Margaret Henderson Oswald of Lehi; Monti and Marlan Frederick of Seattle: Jannette Stout of Orem and Lisa Harding of Salt Lake City. I expect to see all of these folks on our membership list in the near future because of their interest in our genealogical program. Myrna Conder of Taylorsville, Utah, came by the and renewed tent membership.

There are currently three events held in Utah each year, in Salt Lake City, Payson and Richfield. I have heard there will be a new one at the University in Provo beginning next year. Our cousin, Jeremy Nebeker, a postal worker living in Orem, and his wife, Rosalie, have shown some interest in becoming the Utah state convenors and have been contacted by the South West Region Commissioner, Robert Henderson. It is the interest shown by such families and their willingness to put the Henderson name before the public that will move us forward and swell our ranks with other cousins still out there and waiting for us to welcome them into the Henderson tent. Our hearty thanks to Jeremy and Rosalie!

# 2001 West Virginia Games The Last In South Charleston

The venue for our Clan's 2000 Annual General Meeting, Oakes Field in South Charleston, West Virginia will no longer ring with the sound of pipe bands or the roar of the crowd when an athlete turns a caber to the perfect 12 o'clock The crowds that position. gathered for many years to watch the Friday night parade through the city and then removed to Oakes Field, the site of a Scottish ritual calling of the clans and a torchlight ceremony, will no longer participate in these events. An announcement made at this year's event told of a move to Beckley where the organizers had been offered a twenty year option to hold a Scottish Games on a forty-five acre site. Compared to the fewer than five acres available at Oakes Field, this move would permit an expansion which had been sought by the organizers since the very first event held there in 1999.

Moving the event to Beckley will mean an hour shorter drive for those of us living in Northern Virginia. In Beckley, there are numerous hotel and motel facilities with hundreds of rooms, several very fine restaurants, and it will be cooler due to the nearly two thousand foot difference in altitudes. Additionally, the event will become a three day affair with professional and amateur athletics scheduled over both Saturday and Sunday. It is planned to continue with a "Kirkin' of the Tartans" at the venue on Sunday morning and an expanded involvement by pipe bands as well as individual pipe and drum competitors. The Highland dancing program will likely be an expanded activity and is expected to include Irish step



A number of the Hendersons gathered at Enumclaw, Washington—this photo showed the kids and more pipers than you can count

dancing as one of the featured events. Many other program enhancements are expected and more information will be available during the coming year.

Our Clan Society tent at the South Charleston event this year was convened by Rex Maddox. His event report shows the addition of five new members, three of whom belong to a single family. They are Gary R. Peyton, the father, of Charleston, and two sons, Rodney E. of Tad and brother Gary K. of Pt. Pleasant, a town just across the Kanawha river from Henderson, WV at the Ohio border. The other new members were Richard Southall of Charleston and Ethel Hendry Skudder of Hume, Virginia. We welcome them again to the Society and hope to see all of them next year in Beckley.



Even snow couldn't stop the clan at Estes Park

not many folks carry a snow shovel to their clan tent

### Virginia-Fordell Henderson Connection

By Brummett Jerald McClendon

Note from Clan Genealogist: I have asked Jerry to work with me in sorting out the Hendersons in Scotland. He will be our "Scottish Desk." The article below is the new position on the connection of the Virginia Hendersons to the main Fordell line. I have made the appropriate changes in the data base to conform with these new, exciting conclusions about the parentage of the "Augusta boys." The print-out is too voluminous and you Augusta Fordell descendents are too numerous for me to send each of you an unsolicited copy. But, I will be happy to comply if you ask for one. Just phone or write and it will be done. You can also contact Jerry at mcclendon@NFIS.com or at 2603 Chestnut Grove in Sharpsburg, MD 20857. He can do the computer stuff like GEDCOM, e-mail attachments and the like. Horace

Bruce Henderson had three sons (John, James and Samuel) who came to Augusta County, Virginia in about 1740.<sup>4</sup> William also had a son William by his first wife who came to Virginia at about the same time.<sup>13</sup> Many of us that descend from one of these four sons of William (mine is

James) have believed that we are connected to the main line Fordell Hendersons.

There have been a number of problems with the connections that have been reported of these four "Augusta County Boys" to Fordell. For example, many have suggested that Fordell Generation 11 was the connection (see Figure 1, William and Jean Hamilton Henderson). After all, their third son William

married a Margaret Bruce. BUT this is not our William, since they had no children. Some have said the connection is the fourth child of Generation 10. That is not our William either, since he was born five years after that William's mother died.

The purpose of the article is to discuss these problems in detail and to provide the evidence for the connection being the second son William of the Fordell Generation 9, Sir John Henderson and Margaret Menteith. This will include new information I have

located in the Scottish Church Records. Special thanks to cousin Mabel Wallace who found key evidence and to cousin Pam Pavel for the lead that uncovered the new information.

The science of heraldry or armory provides strong evidence. Crozier's General Armory: A Registry of American Families Entitled to Coat

- 1. Thomas (c.1360-1406)
- 2. John (c.1400-1449)
- 3. Robert (c. 1430-1499)
- 4. James (c. 1450-1513) & Helen Baty
- 5. George (c.1480-1547) & Catherine Adamson
- 6. William (c.1522-1547) & Elizabeth Scott
- 7. James (c.1545-1611) & Jean Murray
- 8. Sir John (c.1564-1617) & Agnes Balfour
- 9. Sir John (c.1593-1649) & Margaret Mentieth
- 10. Sir John (c. 1626-1682) & Margaret Hamilton
- 11. William (c. 1664-1708) & Jean Hamilton

Figure 1. Fordell Hendersons

Armor<sup>1</sup> lists Lieut. James Henderson, Augusta Co., Virginia, 1740 (Fifeshire). The descriptions are the same as those provided in The General Armory by Sir Bernard Burke<sup>2</sup> for the Fordell Hendersons. In addition, Bolton's American Armory<sup>3</sup> lists the same armory used by several descendants of James. Some of the same arms are engraved on a old watch owned by the son of James. This watch was in the possession of Joseph Lyon Miller in 1902, who also wrote in his book4 that he had a family paper that had crudely drawn shields and

the motto that are both those of the Fordell Hendersons. The use of this heraldry is not taken lightly and had to be proven to be accepted.

Miller also had in his possession a book<sup>5</sup> in which our William's son James wrote down many of the key family dates and names. In one place he said he and his brothers

were "Grandsons of John Henderson Gent Fifshyre Scotland." That would mean that William's father was named John and he was from Fife. Miller<sup>4</sup> goes on to say "it is known that all the Fifeshire Hendersons are originally those of Fordell Manor."

With strong evidence that William and Margaret Bruce Henderson are included in the hereditary line of the Hendersons of Fordell,

where do they connect? Figure 1 gives the 11 generations known in the Fordell line prior to the time William and Margaret lived.<sup>6,7,8</sup>

I would like to start by ruling out several possibilities, especially those that have been suggested by others.

1. Generation 11 had a third son Captain William that married a Margaret Bruce.<sup>7</sup> This is NOT our William and Margaret Bruce.

The first son of Generation 11 was born in 1686.<sup>6</sup> The third son Captain William would be born after 1686. Our William was

christened on 27 April 1676 as proven in Scottish Church Records and Miller.<sup>5,9</sup>

The third son William had no children by Margaret Bruce and only one who died young by his second wife.<sup>7</sup> Our William and Margaret Bruce had five children.<sup>5</sup>

Stephen<sup>6</sup> reports with documented source that third son William of Generation 11 died on 21 November 1755. Our William died 1 August 1737.<sup>5</sup>

- 2. Generation 10 had a son John.<sup>6</sup> This was NOT the father of our William since John died at 18<sup>10</sup> without issue.<sup>7</sup>
- 3. Some have our William as the fourth child of Generation 10. He is NOT.

Generation 10 did have a fourth child named William. He became the second Baronet of Fordell and married Jean Hamilton.<sup>6</sup> Also note that our William was born in 1676. This could not be him since the mother of William, Margaret Hamilton, died in 1671.<sup>6</sup>

Having ruled these possibilities out, I began to study closely the suggestion by Miller4 that William was the son of one of the five sons of Generation 9, Sir John and Margaret Mentieth Henderson. Their heir and first son John is Generation 10. We have already ruled out this John's two sons, John and William, in the discussion above. The third son of Generation 9 was James who is the connection for our Clan Chief. His line is well known and does not include our William. The fourth and fifth sons were both killed in action without issue.<sup>7</sup> So that leaves William the second son of Generation 9. He will be our answer to the puzzle.

William the second son of Generation 9, Sir John and is Margaret Mentieth Henderson, was born in 1627/1628 based on the birth dates of his adjacent brothers.<sup>6</sup> Sir Neville<sup>8</sup> tells us that he and his brother James on 30 April 1649 " had to make submission before the congregation at Dalgety for their part in the 'Engagement' with Charles I." This

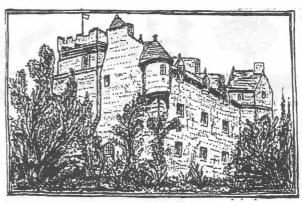
would suggest a reason for him to leave Fordell, especially since he was not the heir.

I have found Parish records at Ferry Port on Craig, Fife, of the marriage of William Hendersone to Marion Shepharde on 27 July 1654.11 She was christened, Marioun Shipart, on 14 March 1637 at Ferry Port on Craig.12 Her parents were Thomas and Janet Putie Shipart.<sup>12</sup> They had two sons, John and William, both christened at Ferry Port on Craig, 1 July 1655 and 2 November 1657, respectively.12 This John is the right date, with a father William, to be the father of our William that married Margaret Bruce.

Finally, I have found the christening record of our William that married Margaret Bruce in the Church Records of Dunfermline, Fife, Scotland.9 It shows William Hendirson was christen-ed on 27 April 1676 by the parents Johne Henderison and Magdalen Lundie. Our cousin Pam Pavel has obtained from a Scottish researcher the exact words on the certificate. It is clear that William was born out of wedlock. We have not been able to locate any marriage of his parents. Maybe this is why it has been so hard to trace the ancestors of our William.

It is my position that the four sons of William Henderson (three by Margaret Bruce), who came to Augusta County, Virginia in 1740, are in fact descendents of the Hendersons of Fordell. William was the illegitimate son of John and Magdalen Lundie. John's mother was Marion Shipart and his father was William, the second son of Sir John and Margaret Mentieth, Fordell Generation 9. The evidence is the heraldry, the Miller Book with the hand written family history by his son James, and the new information from the Scottish Church Records.

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# Henderson Roots & twigs

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Horace Loftin 218 Greenwood Dr. Panama City, FL 32407 Dear, Cousins

A wee bit of history now and then is good for us. It tells us where we've been, how we got where we are—and maybe suggests where we're headed.

Shuffling through mounds of old papers, I just ran across a general letter that I wrote in 1989 to our then few Clansmen, concerning my brand new role as Clan Genealogist. I see in it that I didn't know much about genealogy in general nor Henderson genealogy especially. But I had high hopes that we could develop a fine data base of Henderson genealogies, tie lines together, and learn much, much more about us (Hendersons McKendricks, Hendries etc.).

I said that to get to that happy position, I needed the help of all of you cousins, specifically to send me your family data, however skimpy. I suggested the most convenient way was to use family group sheets and I gave some simple instructions. Well, enough of you came through, and today we're greatly ahead of what I had dared hope for back then.

But that early message is still the message I want to get out to all of you, especially the newcomers to the Clan. We need your family genealogies, even if only back to grandpaw!

Here's that 1989 letter, still appropriate reading for all of us:

We're closing in on our goal of publishing the names of all the Hendersons in all the states and territories of the US in the censuses of 1850 (and some 1860 & 1870.). We've just published four new ones—Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and Maine—thanks to the good work of cousin Joyce Peyman who

by Dr. Horace Loftin, FSA Scot Clan Genealogist

responded to our call, "Your clan needs you!" See page 8 for details of how you can get these great aids to Henderson research.

And, once again, a reminder to you that you help me greatly when you include your Clan # and/or- the lineage # of your genealogy (e.g. (B)3141) in any

correspondence. Without this info, I have to hunt in the computer to find who you are and what line you're writing about. With the info, I go right to it!

olace

Yours aye

18 July 1989

Dear Clansman

I am, until a real genealogist comes aboard, your Henderson clan genealogist. I know something about the mechanics of putting a genealogy together and a considerable amount about my own family descent from Accomac, Virginia/Somerset, Maryland, ca 1660. However I don't now know much about others of the clan in the United States and nothing about Hendersons in the Old Country. With your help, I propose to learn and to pass on to all of you what I learn from each of you.

Thank goodness, I have access to a computer and an amazingly good genealogy program—ROOTS III. I should be able to enter the genealogical lineage of each member, carrying it back as far as you have data to furnish me. With all of the lineages in the computer, we should be in a position to see the lines crossing and converging—your family with another and another. Perhaps then we can help you find those missing links to complete your family lines. Perhaps we will trace back those common ancestors in Scotland, Ireland, and England.

That is ambitious. In any event, if you will supply me with your own family history as far back and as completely as possible, I will be able to provide you with a detailed print-out of your own pedigree and a descent chart of your ancestral Henderson. This will take time and effort on my part, which I will be happy to provide. For your part, you must take the time and effort to come up with as much family history as you can.

Enclosed is a copy of a family group chart. Your job is to complete one such sheet for each generation back as far as you can go in your own family. Then another sheet with your parent's data. Then another sheet for your grandparents that are in the Henderson track. Another for your Henderson-line great grandparents, etc., until you touch bottom. Give all the data that you can come up with on each. Particularly important are any goods dates that you have, and county where born, lived, and died. If you know the parents of the non-Henderson spouse, you might list them along with the county, state, data for them; however, I will not pursue their lines unless they lead to another Henderson cross-connection.

Please take the time to fill out such family group sheets and send them to me for computer recording. And please send any other Henderson history/genealogy data, references, etc., so that we can share them with all the Clan.



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# Sandra Lea Henderson marries Warren Henry Philipp, Jr.

n 2 June 2001, in the parlor of a lovely

Scottish country Inn, Sandra Lea Henderson and Warren Henry Philipp, Jr. were married. Sandy is the daughter of George and Elaine Henderson of Dublin, Ohio.

Glenlaurel is tucked in the Hocking Hills of Ohio. The ceremony took place in front of the fireplace in the Manor House. Sandy wore a Princess style gown of natural silk shantung. She carried a spray of heather and wore heather in her hair. Sandy had a stole of the Henderson tartan and Wren wore a vest of the Armstrong tartan.

Following the ceremony, the families had a wonderful dinner in one of the Inn's beautiful dinning rooms. Prior to dinner, a special Scottish prayer and blessing was given.

Sean Shaw, a native of Inverness, Scotland, provided haunting melodies on tile pipes prior to the ceremony and during dinner. Sean also recited a romantic poem in Gaelic. (At least he said it was romantic)

Sandy and Wren honeymooned in Mexico and are now living in Chicago.

### Useful Henderson Research Tools Available

By Horace Loftin

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e have produced (and have others in the works) a series of booklets which contain ALL the Hendersons in 1850, 1860 and/or 1870 Censuses for states of special importance in tracking down those "hidden Hendersons." 1850 is, of course, the first census year in which all family members are listed. The booklets present, county by county, all Hendersons in residence, their birth years, state born in, and occasional notes on individuals and families. All names are indexed and cross-referenced to the county entries.

They also include the identification numbers used by R. H. (Bob) Henderson of Greer, South Carolina, and also those of the Clan Henderson data base for all individuals in our records. You are invited to contact either Bob or myself for genealogies of Hendersons so identified.

I use these constantly in my work as Clan Genealogist, and I believe you will find them excellent research tools.

We also have an outstanding booklet prepared by Clansman B. B. Shuffler, with simple but detailed information on sources for doing Henderson research, emphasis on where to go and what to look for in Scottish records: *Search for Scots*, 32pp, \$10.00

To order, specify the booklets you want and sence check made out to "Clan Henderson Society," to Horace Loftin, 218 Greenwood Drive, Panama City FL 32407; phone: (850) 235-2984. Prices listed include postage.



New marriages and births delight a genealogist almost as much as they do a doting grandmother and great grandmother. Our kinswoman Joyce Peyman proudly announces the arrival of two new great-grandsons and two new granddaughters-in-law:

Joshua Allen -eyman was born 13 January 2001 in St. Louis, Missouri, to Robert and Dana Peyman.

Jonathan Vinson Slead was born 13 July 2000 in Hartford, Connecticut, to Carolyn and James R Slead.

Amy Jean Riley married William Dale Naegeli on 26 August 2000 in Tolland County, Connecticut.

Rebecca Lynn Bush married Jared Dale Peyman on 30 October 1999 in Cahokia, Illinois.

Cousins, be sure to keep Horace updated, like Joyce did, of

all those happy new additions of your own.

Others are reported as follows

Erik T. Henderson was born 18 January 2001 to Todd and Lynn Henderson of Portland, Oregon.



Flowers of the Forest

Clan Henderson has lost one of our charter members, and Henderson genealogy one of its most wise heads. I have only recently learned that William (Bill) J. Cunningham of Bolivar, Pennsylvania after a short illness. Bill was my court of last resort on questions concerning Hendersons in early Pennsylvania. He kept me well informed and "straight," and was responsible for many of our clansmen's family tree connections.

As one of the many cousins he helped wrote: "He was the epitome of what I think a genealogist should be, generous with his time and information, considerate, and knowledgeable. He did everything the old way, did not use a computer, and had orderly files all over his house. He had more information and stories in his head than most people have in their computers. We miss him, as you can tell."

George T. (Pete) Brown of Dalton, Georgia on 27 June 2000.

Mrs. Helen Arlene Rote died 25 July 2001. She was the mother of David M. Rote of Buffalo, New York, and aunt of Claudia H. Williams of Hamburg, New York.

Myrtle Leona Van Bergen of Grand Rapids, Michigan, died on 30 Apr 2000. She was the sister of Daniel N. Henderson of Reed City, Michigan.

### Robert and Frances Henderson

It is with great sorrow to write to you of our father's and mother's deaths. Robert and Frances Henderson were tragically killed in a car accident on Saturday night, September 22, 2001.

There are many family history files to go through and they will carry on. Our dad did so much want his research to carry on; he always told me that. For the family historians, please email me for anything. I hope I can help, although it will take some time.

All of dad's books are still available and I will continue to mail them out as he had taught me to do.

For those who already know, thank you for your love and support already shown. Please continue to pray for Karen, David, Sarah, Krista, Bobby, Myra, Brady, Myself (Gayle), Scott, Jena and Kaycee.

Any future inquiries for Henderson books should be submitted to: sghannon@yahoo.com

Love,

Gayle Henderson Hannon



# Games, Festivals, and Gatherings



Mid East Region Leon Hicks Commissioner



# Potomac Celtic Festival By Leon Hicks

wonderful day in Leesburg, Virginia. I'm sure that in the annals of Celtic events, the Henderson Clan has been equally well represented, but this was by far the best event I have ever convened. The weather could not have been better and Clan representation was equally superb. The music at this activity was also exceptional. For those of our clan who have never experienced the Spanish flair to our Celtic heritage, you are in for a wonderful treat should you ever get the opportunity to listen to the music from Galacia or Asturia. But the best treat of all is that we welcomed ten new cousins to the Clan, and have commitments from many more.

We had so many interesting conversations during these two days that it is impossible to do justice to them all. I will take this opportunity to give a recognition award to the family with the most "Henderson" spirit. The members of the family are William Henderson Kirvan and his wife Linda Herstman, Michael Henderson Kirvan, his wife Kathy Cleary Kirvan, Christopher Henderson Kirvan, Daniel Henderson Kirvan, and Finley Henderson Kirvan.

If there is an award for the family most dedicated to carrying forward the name Henderson, the Kirvans should win it.

Other new members that joined the Clan on this special occasion were Roslie Henderson Dalton of Ashtakula, Ohio; Chris and Bradley Geno and their children Ann Marie and Katenna of Herndon, Virginia; Dawn and Sean Henderson of Leesburg, Virginia;

Kristen Reiss of Satellite Beach, Florida; Vivian and Roger Wood of Danville, Virginia; FR Chandler Jones and his wife Megan from Forest Hill, Maryland. (Father Jones is an Anglican Minister in that town); Timothy and Larissa Priest of Tacoma Park, Maryland; Betsy and James Dunphy of Herndon, Virginia and there lovely daughter Anna Lee; and the Kirvan Clan listed above. They are from Kensington, Maryland.

On a very special note I want to thank all the wonderful helpers and other cousins who came by the tent. As always I relied very heavily on our Virginia convenor Christian Garin without whom the tent would have been very sparse indeed. In fact, he brought the tent. Now if he can only learn to play the penny whistle. Steve and his lovely wife and daughters (Janeil, Kathryn, and Elisabeth) lent charm and grace to our surroundings. But I most of all need to thank my own lovely wife Ann for all the hard work and support to make it all happen. And a special thanks too to our good friend Mike Henderson from Edinboro, Virginia for helping to set up and take down the displays and tent.

#### Attend the Alexandria Christmas Walk By Leon Hicks

have booked a space at the All Saints, Sharon Chapel Episcopal Church for the Celidh on the evening of 1 December after the Walk that morning. It is very close to Old Town. Take Telegraph Rd south from the Beltway. Go through two lights and at the 3rd light turn right onto Franconia Rd. Turn left into the second drive way (approx. 200 yds from the intersection). There will be a sign at the second drive way. I plan to be there earlier in the afternoon to begin the set-up. I suggest people should arrive around 6:00–6:30 P.M. There will be some dishes provided

by me as well as some beverages. Primarily we will be depending on potluck. There is a kitchen in the facility and room for entertainment.

South East Region Harry J. Keifer Commissioner



#### Grandfather Mountain Highland Games 14-15 July 2001

by Suzanne Keifer

hat we thought would be a quiet event this year turned out to be very well attended. In part, I think the weather had a lot to do with it - absolutely fantastic - sunny and mild. We had a wonderful turnout Saturday with a very impressive Walkabout (I counted almost fifty people). We also had a prime location this year. We were next to the Scottish Heritage Society, a few spots away from the main entrance. The tent was busy assisting the curious, welcoming new cousins into the Clan, and catching up on the goings on of all the members present. I believe we had close to seventy individuals/families sign the attendance roster. Six new families ioined and about that many renewed. I hope that those families who took applications and information with them will see the benefits and rewards of belonging to Clan Henderson and send their paperwork in shortly. What was so nice to see this year was the large number of youth at the tent Erin Edwards, 7, granddaughter of Margaret Henderson, came all the way from Michigan to compete in the dancing an she walked away (or should I say danced?) with two second place medals and one third place medal! We are all so proud of her - Bravo, Erin!! William Henderson, Jr. looked very regimental marching with his drum and his flourish tenor sticks spinning nicely. This is so exciting to see - the future of our Clan and the proud heritage of Scotland. A very nice tribute was given at the Sunday morning service to Claude. The Parade of Tartans is done on Sunday after the service and I always get goosebumps when I see our Bodyguard do their sweeping salute to the game's guest of honor. (I noticed that some of the other Clans have tried to imitate this but they certainly don't have the panache that we do - not that I'm biased or anything...) Things generally quiet down after the Parade and this allows some time to scope out the many vendors and see what some of the other Clans and Societies are doing. I think the only downside to these Games is the traffic and the inability of easy access to them but they are certainly worth experiencing.





#### Detroit Highland Games by Kevin J. Henderson

he 152nd annual Detroit Highland Games held in Livonia, Michigan on 4 August 2001 was a great time for the two dozen Henderson cousins and the thousands of other Scots who attended. Mother nature provided us with a beautiful sunny day to enjoy the games, vendors, historical reenactors, animals and of course good company.

The Clan tent was full all day with cousins offering family stories and tales. As the convenor of the tent, I would like to give my thanks for making this year so much fun. All day the tent was host



to fine gentlemen and beautiful ladies, many sporting the Henderson tartan and all very interested in the Clan and there part in it. Several membership forms were handed out to interested prospects but most visitors were members (many signed up last year.)

Clan Henderson was represented in the Clan parade by twelve Hendersons, all with some tartan on including a couple of kilts (mine included.) We had one of the larger contingents, but appeared even larger with our banners and flags. The fact that we purposely spread out a wee bit to ensure our presence was felt did not hurt at all. We marched in even rows, but put a little space between us so everyone in the crowd had time to appreciate Clan Henderson and our proud tartan. We just missed out on having twenty cousins in the parade due to a time error in the program. What a sight that would be. Next year perhaps.

This year, no Clan dinner was planned. I should have known I would hear about it though, so next year there will be a Clan dinner on the Friday before the event. All cousins are welcome.

#### Kalamazoo Scottish Festival 25 August 2001 by Kevin J. Henderson

lan Henderson was represented for the first time in the nine year history of the Kalamazoo Scottish Festival (outside of Kalamazoo, Michigan) and was met with much enthusiasm by the cousins who attended.

The day started out overcast and cool with some drizzle and deteriorated to several downpours, the longest lasting almost an hour. The spirits of those stayed high as we had the clan parade and invocation in the rain. Seven cousins were at the Festival and stopped

by the Clan Tent. Some had been members that had lapsed, so of course they were given membership forms to renew. Others had not ever joined and they were given forms and an explanation of the benefits of participating in their Clan.

Many cousins were amazed and joyful in seeing their Clan at the games and many questions were asked and answered. We had a great time comparing family lines and history. As far as genealogical questions, all were encouraged to send in their dues and to contact the Clan genealogist.



This was my first Kalamazoo festival, so I was pleasantly surprised by the event. I was a very well run and enjoyable festival. I had one personal issue though. There was not a drop of fine Scottish ale anywhere to be found. I did not realize there was such a thing as a dry Scottish event. Can you imagine?

I would like to thank the cousins who stopped by and offered their help in maintaining a presence at the games in their hometown. With the assistance of these fine people the Clan should maintain a presence in what is now the fourth Highland Games in Michigan to be lucky enough to have the proud Clan Henderson among its ranks.

North Central Region
Alice L. Henry
Commissioner

#### Tartan Day by Alice L. Henry, FSA Scot

artan Day was a huge success in Minnesota this year. The two-day event commenced with a silent salute at the War Memorial at 11:30 A.M., 6 April. The clans lined up and, with the bagpipes leading, marched up the Mall

to the state capitol and into the rotunda where a wonderful ceremony, a bit of a history lesson and several speeches took place.

After the ceremony, the 200 Scots in attendance assembled on the steps of the capitol where all were entertained. The high school choir from Woodbury, Minnesota (a suburb of St. Paul) sang many Scottish tunes. Highland dancers from the Minnesota Scottish Celtic Dance Association, along with the Royal Scottish Country Dancers of the Twin Cities performed on the capitol's esplanade. The Twin Cities Metro Pipe Band provided all the wonderful music for this truly gala event.

On Saturday, the movie "Braveheart" was shown to a private Scots audience followed by a good old fashioned ceilidh!

Macalester College Scottish Country Fair And Highland Games

he 29th annual Scottish Country Fair and Highland Games were held on the campus of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota. Our president of Clan Henderson and first lady, were the honored guests for this year's games.

The games were preceded on Friday evening with a Scotch Whisky Tasting held in the Smail Art Gallery on campus. Ray Pearson, from San Diego, California, was Scotch Master. The "Wicked Tinkers" provided the entertainment, contributing much gaiety to the festive event.

The games began in sunshine at 9 A.M. Rex and Pat, as honored guests, were escorted onto the field leading the "Call of the Clans." Again at the noontime ceremonies, Rex and Pat held the place of honor on the reviewing stand for the Parade of Tartans, massed bands and Highland Fling.

It was at the noontime ceremonies that it started raining. Just a few sprinkles, then a little harder and harder until the tent tops were filled with water, people got soaked and yet the games went on just as they would have in Scotland.

A warm welcome to the following new members who signed up at our games: James and Iona (Henderson) Flynn, St Paul, Minnesota; Wayne W. and Sheila Henderson, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Lee Scott Herold, St. Paul, Minnesota; Douglas Mitchell, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Audrey Smart, Brooklyn Park, Minnesota; Steven and Jennifer (Henderson link) Smith, Hurley, Wisconsin; and a renewal: Steven and Dawn Grafing, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Our next event will be the Renaissance Festival's "Highland Fling" Scottish Weekend on the 8-9 September 2001. See you there.

#### North Central needs You!

If any of you are interested in having the time of your life, and you live in the North Central Region, let's talk! I need Conveners in Iowa, Nebraska, North and South Dakota. The region is now a more manageable size and although I haven't been able to get to the games this year, look for me next year. I'll be looking for you!

If I have, for any reason, inadvertantly omitted any news of interest, my apology. Please drop me a note and I'll see to it it's included in the next. Alice

North Pacific Region Bradley N. Baller Commissioner

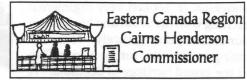


#### Spokane Highland Games by Rex Maddox

his was a small event whose crowd was also small because of rain early in the day. Pamela and Ethan Johanson and David S. Henderson joined the society.



Hendersons gathered at the Enumclaw Games [Ed note: That's my cousin David G. on the left..]



#### Summerside Highland Games 23-24 June, Summerside, Prince Edward Island by Cairns Henderson

I thad been nine years since Clan Henderson participated in these annual Highland Games in Prince Edward Island. This year we were welcomed to the event by the organizing committee and they provided us with a section in the Clans/Genealogy tent. Sponsored each year and held on their spacious grounds, the College of Piping in Summerside always hosts an impressive competition by pipe bands.

Throughout the day, the Scottish Heavyweight competition was filmed for a later broadcast to find the strongest man in the country. A Henderson cousin, Jamie Peppard from Nova Scotia came in first in points and will compete with other finalists in Ontario.

At our Henderson display we were pleased to welcome several Prince Edward Island Hendersons, including Peter and Ellen from Summerside.

Always a high point at this Scottish gathering is the free entertainment which continues on site, day and night. This year, Prince Edward Island comedian, Urban Carmichael hosted the bands, Banshee from New Brunswick, Fiddlers Sons from Prince Edward Island and Slainte Mhath from Cape Breton. Terrific music! Great week end!

#### Halifax Highland Games and Scottish Festival 7 July, Halifax, Nova Scotia by Cairns Henderson

nce again this Festival proved to be all that the spectators and participants could hope for. Over twenty Henderson cousins joined us at out tent from which we held our annual regional meeting at 11 o'clock. Special members in our tent this year were Elsie Henderson who stole the show with her beautiful Henderson tartan ladies long skirt and my mother, Della Henderson from Pictou County. The Canadian Clan genealogist, Donna

Lee Butler, with husband Bill, daughter Bev Butler and grand daughters Jocelyn and Larissa Dunlop looking on, was presented with the Chief's medal for her many years of dedicated work for the Society.

At 2 o'clock, members of our clan, including Leonard Pride of Dartmouth and Jane Henderson, Halifax, joined with members from Clan Lamont to host the second annual Great Halifax Haggis Toss. Not to be confused with the more traditional Haggis Hurl, the Halifax Haggis Toss uses a replica of the furry mythical Haggis, which folk from age 3 to 70 tossed for fun and prizes. All proceeds from this Toss were turned over to the Games Committee to help with day's expenses.

With pipers, Highland dancers, bands, Heavyweight competitors, food and beer tents, Scottish Country dancers, genealogists, vendors, and Clan tents all together on one small field, the sounds and sights made for quite a colourful Scottish day. Clan Henderson winning the "Best Clan Tent" award for the second year in a row was very nice as well!

# New Brunswick Highland Games 27-29 July, Fredericton, New Brunswick by Cairns Henderson

he 20th anniversary edition of the New Brunswick Highland Games were once again held on the beautiful landscaped estate of the Old Government House on the banks of the Saint John River.

Clan Henderson had to set up and staff two tents this year, their own and one for the Federation of Scottish Clans in Nova Scotia, of which we are a member. The FSCNS have been present at all the games in Eastern Canada this year to promote the 2003 International Gathering of the Clans which will be held in Nova Scotia. Many thanks to Audrey and Leonard Pride for all their help in looking after the two tents. Celeste and Audrey had one busy day, running from tent to tent, greeting hundreds of visitors.

It was good to see Arthur Henderson and his son Tom and family this year since we missed them last year when we had to leave the Games early. Dorothy



Kennett came down from Bristol to see the Games again this year. She is a valued member and this year brought her husband Bill along as well. It was great to sit and chat with them both.

An event that gets more popular each year is the Children's Heavyweight competition. Tossing the welly was a hit with all the kids, almost as much as the whisky tasting was with the adults.

There is always something new going on at these Games. This year workshops were held to teach ceilidh dancing, haggis making, tin whistle playing (we will expect Leonard to play a tune for us soon), Gaelic language and song, brodhran and chanter playing.

I hope that the New Brunswick members will send me some news items that I can share with the An Canach readers and I am still looking for a Games convenor in New Brunswick.

#### Central Canada Region Looking for Officials by Cairns Henderson Chair, Canadian Council

nfortunately, no one in Ontario or Quebec had the time to become a Games coordinator this year so our Clan was officially absent from the great Scottish gatherings there. Although some individual members were able to attend many of these Games and Festivals, it is a shame that they did not have a Clan display of their own that they could visit and show to their friends.

I have visited the Games at Fergus a number of times in the past and never left without feeling proud of my heritage. To convene an event for the Society is always great fun. You never fail to meet wonderful people.

I would be pleased to correspond with anyone in the Region who would like more information on becoming a Clan representative. (Page 27) The Games of next year are calling you.



#### Fort McMurray Highland Games 16 June 2001

he 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Ft. McMurray Highland Games were to take place at MacDonald Island Park in Fort McMurray, Alberta.

Unfortunately, in May we were informed that due to a shortage of Pipe Bands the event was being cancelled for this year.

Next year's Games should be held on 15 June 2002.

#### Edmonton Highland Games 24 June 2001

nfortunately, due shift work, we were unable to attend. Hendersons in the Edmonton area let me know if you would like to host these Games on behalf of the Clan Henderson Society,e-mail: mcmillav@cadvision.com

Next year's Games will be held on 23 June 2002.

# Penticton Highland Games 7 July 2001

he 25<sup>th</sup> annual Penticton Highland Games took place at King's Park in sunny Penticton, BC.

Rex Maddox was going to Convene these Games as I was previously scheduled with another family commitment at that time. Unfortunately, Rex's schedule was also altered at the last minute. We will try to have a presence at these Games next year.

The date for next year's Games has not been confirmed. Expect 6 July 2002 to be the date. I will confirm later.

#### High River Highland Games 25 August 2001

he 2<sup>nd</sup> annual High River Highland Games took place on the grounds of the High River High School, High River, Alberta. just finishing a night shift we were unable to attend these Games.

Anyone willing to Convene these Games please contact me. E-mail is best, mcmillav@cadvision.com Next year's High River Highland Games will take place on 24 August 2002.

#### Calgary Highland Games 01 September 2001

he 2001 Calgary Highland Games were held at Shouldice Athletic Park in North-West Calgary. (Just beside Highway #1 - Trans-Canada Highway.)

We were able to secure a location for our tent even though there had been some missed communications with the Games organizers. The day went on to be a scorcher – 27 C. Had the winds not picked up it would have been a perfect day. However, weather is the major

factor of the Calgary Games. Last year, due to very heavy rains, the venue was submerged with at least 10" of water. This year when the winds picked up, so were many of the Clan and vendor tents. We persevered until 4 pm then we took our tent down too.

Clan tents included: Clan MacBain, Clan MacArthur, Clan Elliott, Clan Hay, Clan Henderson, and Clan Campbell.

#### Canmore Highland Games 2 September 2001

he 11<sup>th</sup> annual Canmore Highland Games were held at Centennial Park in the heart of the Canadian Rockies.

We arrived early to get our tent set up before the crowds arrived. The morning started off very cool, but we waited in anticipation of the arrival of the sun to warm things up. As the sun rose and lit up the surrounding mountains we knew this was going to be a great day and a great Games. The visitors, competitors, volunteers and vendors were steadily arriving at 7 A.M. The visitors continued to arrive in a steady stream until the middle of the afternoon. The good weather encouraged a good turn out.

The clans were supported by clan tents from: Clan Henderson, Clan Elliott, Clan MacArthur, Clan MacBain, Clan MacKenzie, Clan Chisholm and Clan Moffat.

There were twenty-six Pipe Bands, Highland Dance competitions, Heavy Events and sheep dog trials. I believe the 12,000-15,000 visitors enjoyed their day of celebrating their Scottish Culture and Heritage.

Next year's Canmore Highland Games will be held on 1 September 2002.









# Around the Society



# Clan Henderson Society of the United States and Canada U.S. MEMBERSHIP FORM

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- c. Promoting the history, arts, and literature of Scotland.
- Assisting in genealogical research.

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### From the Chaplain

by the Rev. C. Fred Sanford



y job description as chaplain gives me responsibilities related to "sacred matters." Since I will be called upon to perform duties thereof, I thought I would take the topic in hand, and comment about what I consider to be "sacred." I begin by suggesting that people around the world operate with many, many assumptions about what they define as being "sacred." This includes the community of Henderson Scots and their descendants, who not only represent denominational standards of belief (like Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist, and Roman Catholic) but generalized "Christian" and "Protestant" beliefs. At the same time there

are Hendersons who surely hold to religious perspectives like Judaism, Buddhism, Islam, and others.

As you may see, I cannot insist on the definition of sacredness of one religious group over another. And yet, I think I can propose of view of sacredness that does justice to all who may call upon me for advice or prayers to the Ground of Sacredness referred to as the Lord God. I refer to the documents used in the History of Scotland, namely the Scots Confession of 1560, and the Westminster Confession of Faith of 1647.

They affirm that God's sacred, or "holy," nature is the foundation of all things (visible and invisible) ruling, guiding, and sustaining by

eternal wisdom, goodness and justice. The language here is much longer, but the point is that this "Sacred Spirit" stands totally separate from His creatures, who were created by Him but now are in desperate need of correction, redemption, and salvation.

My job, then, as is the job of any servant of the Holy Spirit, is to interpret for others what I have found to be true and useful for our life on earth. Future articles will expand on some of these themes, perhaps in response to your letters or comments. I shall also be commenting soon on a religious interpretation of the Henderson motto focusing on VIRTUE.

Peace to All. (The Rev.) Fred Sanford

# Chagrin Falls Connection

by Cynthia Bright

hat fun to read about Dr. Seth Smith Henderson's home in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, in the summer An Canach! Dr. Henderson and I have common ancestors, so he was listed in my genealogy files as having built the first frame house in Cuyahoga County. Now I have a full description of the house and what it has become.

My Henderson ancestors were no doubt among Noah Graves' "friends from Sunderland, Massachusetts." Sunderland is just up the Connecticut River a few miles from Amherst and Northampton where many of the Hendersons (Handersons) moved from the Hartford, Connecticut, area in the early 1700s. Several of the Henderson boys were part of the Amherst regiment which fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill, incidentally.

If Ray Henderson is a descendant of Dr. Seth Smith Henderson (or even if he's not), and wants to know more about this branch of the family, I'd be glad to share. Dr. Horace has most of the data I have on the Handersons, but I have traced a maternal line back to Essex, England, in the 1500s, and also have a history of Amherst which gives some info on the family's activities there and contains a photo of Seth's father and of the homestead. One of the early American families which married



into the Handersons was Graves, so Noah Grave might have been a cousin too.

Connectedness is what it's all about. Thanks for another connection!

Cynthia Bright Asheville, North Carolina Genealogist's note: In genealogy. we deal in series of "begats," one generation after another. But we seldom know anything about those "begetters" beyond their names. They obviously were warm and lively enough personalities to do all that "begetting." So whenever I come across contemporary or near-contemporary accounts of some of our earlier Hendersons, I intend to pass them on to you to help flesh out the bare bones of genealogy.

There follows such a fleshing-out of a remarkable family of North Carolina Hendersons. It comes from a typed copy of a manuscript written by Robert H. Dalton, MD, of Nevaho, Missouri. dated 28 Jan 187 8, with additional details supplemented by Thomas Henderson Pritchard in about 1890. Dr Dalton married into this family and the "H" in his name may mean he was a Henderson, Th extracts that follow are from Dr Dalton.

If any of you cousins have such personality sketches of your earliest Hendersons, I'd love to have them to pass on to the Clan. By the way, who of you out there sent me this present Manuscript? I've lost your name and want to thank and credit you for this little gem. HL.]

## The Hendersons of Granville County, North Carolina

by Robert H. Dalton, MD

he Hendersons were too vigorous, sanguine, and active to live to an advanced age, although some did reach the limit of three score and ten and a few years more—for instance Thomas Henderson, the great grandfather of my children, Chief Justice Henderson of North Carolina, and a few others. As a race their physical organization was unsurpassed and their intellectual endowment was equally great.

In fact, they were the most sprightly and intellectual people I ever knew. They were the principal founders of the State of North Carolina after the war of the revolution, and some of them held the highest posts of honor in the state . . . . If any imputation of dishonor rested on one of the Hendersons it never came to my knowledge and, as far as I know, they were educated men and women from the generations past. Being fine feeders and very healthy, they were all, men and women, inclined to obesity at middle age.

The family came from Scotland prominent members of the colony of Hendersons, Martins, Hunters, and others who settled first in Virginia . . . and afterwards in North Carolina. Some of them remained in Virginia, and I camped on the old premises of

Alexander Henderson, near Dumfries in 1861-62, during the winter, where the old mill house and mill race [of] a mile long were still there. A very aged man was then living there who told me much of him.

The founder of the Henderson family [of Granville County, NC], if I am not mistaken, was Samuel the great-great-grandfather of my children, who settled in Granville County, where, he lived during his life. His sons were Richard, Thomas, Archibald (Baldy) and Pleasant. . . . He doubtless had other children but only these are known to me. [He left eleven children—seven sons and four daughters.]

Of the sons of Samuel Henderson of Granville, I will speak first of all of [those whose] history I have heard of, leaving Thomas the great grandfather of my children till the last; and knowing but little if any but him. I will be excused for rendering only a brief record of them.

Archibald Henderson of Salisbury (NC)... was living and practicing law when I was a boy; and I heard it said that in early life he cut his throat in a fit of delirium ... by which his life was much endangered; and from what I learned of his great ability. I am of the opinion that the state of North Carolina would have lost

one of her brightest gems, if he had been lost at that time. He was the father of Jane Henderson. a very celebrated belle of Salisbury and a worn-in of remarkable intellect, who was first the wife of Dr Luccco Mitchell, of the Navy, and then of Nathaniel Bayden, a lawyer and member of Congress, also one of the of the Supreme Court of North Carolina . . . She may have excelled in position but not in worth and beauty the celebrated Iane Henderson of Mount Pleasant [NC; I think that last Jane was Dalton's wife. HLl

Leonard Henderson of Granville, so long the Chief Justice of North Carolina, was not only a man of national reputation but the great light of law to the Bar of all the States, and the example of honor, prosperity and etiquette in his, own state, which has dignified the profession of law in later days, thus far above [her] sister states in that respect.

Pleasant Henderson of Chapel Hill, I personally knew. He was a large, fleshy, talented man of great, quiet, tranquil disposition, and much more devoted to domestic life. He entered into no profession. but was a man of high culture. His hair was auburn and face ruddy.... His manners were highly polished, he was genial in society, a great reader of books, and devoted to the cultivation of

literature; and he was for many years almost worshipped by the students of Chapel Hill [UNC].

He was always called Major Henderson, and had probably been a major in the service when a young man. He married a daughter of Col. James Martin of Snow Creek and raised a numerous family. His sons were Morris, Mark, William, Tippo Saib [sic], Pleasant and Alexander. They were all literary men. William, Morris, Pleasant and Alex were physicians, but Mark and Tip, I think, studied no profession. I also knew a daughter who married Hamilton C. Jones of Salisbury, a very distinguished lawyer whom my father much admired. She was a fine looking and very agreeable woman of the finest manners. I attended (the author was a physician] one of her little boys, about three years old, at Snow Creek, where she was visiting her grandfather. Major Henderson removed to the Western District of Tennessee in his old age, but I am not aware that any, of his children, then grown up, went with him.

Thomas Henderson . . . the great grandfather, of my children, died at Danbury [NC] about 1823, aged about 80. When I knew him he was a very sprightly, witty old gentleman, fond of social intercourse and full of anecdote and humor. He married Jane, the sister of Col. James Martin of Snow Creek and Governor Alexander Martin of North Carolina. I never saw his wife. but knew of her as a woman of fine attainments and endowed with all the virtues and excellent characteristics of that family. [Thomas] was Clerk of the Court of Guilford [County, NC] from the time of its first settlement until it was divided into several other counties, by which he accumulated a handsome fortune for those times.

He was said to be a man of but little mechanical genius, though otherwise, gifted in a high degree, as the following anecdote will show. On a cold, blustering day he was playing "Thirteen and

Odd," a fashionable game of cards in those days, in a room the door of which was fastened by a button, and he had risen several times to shut it. At last, when it blew open again, he seizes a hammer, picking up the button fallen on the floor, drove it on the door, and was then returning to his seat saying, "now, d – n you, I reckon you will stay shut," but the door blowing again open, the company looked and beheld: he had nailed the button to the door instead of the facing.

The sons of Thomas Henderson of Danbury were Samuel of Charlotte; Alexander of Mt Pleasant; Thomas of Raleigh; and Nathaniel, the youngest; and daughters Mary and Jane.

Samuel Henderson of Charlotte was a physician and practiced many years. in that town, where he raised several children, none of whom I knew, but Dr. William and Margaret (Meg) who was a joyous, witty, intellectual girl and was my wife's bridesmaid. I never saw their father, but heard of him as a man of high order of mind and fine standing in his profession. Dr. William, his son, was a suitor of my wife when I married her.

Thomas Henderson, son of Thomas Henderson, was a man of considerable talents and culture. He married a Miss Ferner, of a highly respectable family near Raleigh, where he settled and establish[ed] The Star, a newspaper that rivaled the Register, edited by Joseph Gales; and after conducting his paper for a number of years, with much ability, he sold out and removed to the Western District of Tennessee, and settled on land inherited from the Daniel Boone purchase already alluded to [Samuel of Granville's son Richard hired Boone to open the trail to TN and KY, and was famous for "buying" most of the whole area of Kentucky from the Indians], where he raised a large family of children....

Alexander Henderson of Mt Pleasant [Dr. Dalton's father-in-

law] was born about 1780 or '81, and he died in 1853, on national road of Tennessee at Eskridges while on his way from N.C. to Holly Springs, Miss., with his daughter Louise.

Captain Nathaniel Henderson was the youngest of the family. He was a kind, good, amiable man, but far inferior to all his brothers in intellect. Not having been raised to labor and rather dull to receive education, he grew up to be a gentleman but incapable of success by his own wits; hence he was sometimes poor, but whenever his situation was discovered by his brother Alexander, my father-in-law, he would set up him and his family again with a good tract of land and a few Negroes to cultivate it for him. . . . Simple and plainminded as he was, he excelled in anecdote and humor. His brother Alex was often there with him, and it amused me to see how he would laugh and shake his sides at Uncle Nat's jokes.

Though not by any means pious, Uncle Nat had great confidence in preachers, as was manifested on the following occasion. In Nov 1811, when the stars (meteors) were falling, they all ran out in the yard before day to witness the awful spectacle, and of course they were greatly frightened, believing that the world was about to be destroyed. Uncle Nat, knowing the piety of his wife, begged her to pray, but she declined; whereupon he broke out and exclaimed, "Now, Susan, where is that d--d Methodist preacher, who is always here? When I don't want him, I can't get rid of him, and now when I do want him he can't be found."

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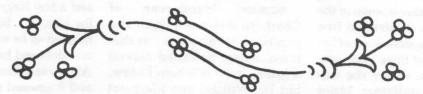
The newlyweds Ric and Peggy as she is welcomed to the clan by Russ Henderson

# Ric and Peggy Henderson Wed 1 September 2001

On 1 September 2001, Ric Henderson and Peggy Dowd were married in Pine Mountain, Georgia. Ric's father welcomed Peggy into the Henderson family, presenting her with a Henderson sash during the reception. Ric is son of Russ (Editor of An Canach) and Judy Henderson; and grandson of Sara Hartz Henderson. The couple will reside in Marietta, Georgia.

The event was special for the family which gathered for the first time in almost two years. Grandmother Sara came from Phoenix, Arizona, and enjoyed the wedding as well as her first visit with all of the five great grandchildren. Sister

Janine with her children, Colin, Susan, and Tiffany came from Virginia, and brother Ross and his wife Tina and children, Howard and Charlotte, had a chance for some family bonding. Ages for this family ranged from 4 months to 95 years.



# Who on Earth was "Tippo Saib" Henderson?

Genealogist's Note- You may have wondered at the name "Tippo Saib" for a son of Major Pleasant Henderson in the accompanying account of the Hendersons of Granville County, North Carolina. Well, here's the story as given by Thomas Henderson Pritchard in his `supplemental remarks to Dr Dalton's sketches .

I knew well. He received his singular name in this way: his father and General William R. Davie were great Whigs and good friends. Having sons born about the same time Mr. Henderson named his son Tippo Saib, and General Davie named his Hyder Ally, as both of these Indian princes were at war at the time with Great Britain, an object of hatred to those ardent Whigs. [To put this in perspective, this was about the time of "Clive of India" and the early days of British conquest of India. Apparently, Tippo Saib had just won a big victory over British troops.]

After having been fairly well educated at Chapel Hill [UNC]-I don't find his name among the graduates-"Uncle Tip," as we styled him, went to live with a kinsman, General Williams, in East Tennessee. He made himself useful in entertaining the General's company... for he could not only tell a good story, but played the fiddle well... One evening General Williams said to him, "Tip, this man Jones down here at the x-roads has got the Texas fever, and offers to sell me his store, goods, etc for \$7,000. It is a good stand and there is money to be

made there, and I have a proposition to make to you. . . . I'll buy him out, and put you there. and divide the profits with You. What do you say, sir?"

"Uncle Tip" responded that he would have to consult his pillow about it, but would tell him in the morning. At the breakfast table next morning the General asked pleasantly, "Well, Tip, what do you say now about my proposition?" Whereupon Uncle Tip replied: "I am very grateful to you, my kinsman, for your very kind proposal, but after carefully reflecting on the matter, I have concluded that you will find it cheaper to support me, without risking so much money on me!" He knew he had little talent for business and less disposition for regular employment.

So far as I know, he studied no profession and never engaged in business of any kind regularly. . . . He disliked care and responsibility, and yet he was beloved by all who knew him, and always found friends who were ready to support him, regarding his agreeable companionship as full compensation for his maintenance. He died some years since, I do not recall the date, at Panther Creek, the hospitable home of Col. Nick Williams of Stokes County, NC.

# Participation, Involvement and Membership (PIM)



#### On Being a Good Member of the Clan

Read An Canach
Respond to requests for pedigree info
Respond to the request for a copy of your Bible
records
Attend local games
Make a friend in the clan
Send in articles and photographs
Send in permission to use previously

published articles And don't forget to send in your dues, so you don't miss An Canach

s a member, you should plan to attend an event in your area; moreover, It is not too early to begin planning to attend other festivities and gatherings of the clan. Attending these Games should be high on your "honey-we-ought-to-do-that" list.

Many of our cousins have joined Clan Henderson to take advantage of the genealogical opportunities afforded to the membership. I did as well. Each new member may be the one who will bring in your missing clue! If each member will recruit one new genealogical source (read, "member") this year. . . .

I don't have to explain the opportunities that will provide. Whenever I meet someone with a Henderson connection, I ask if they have spent any time looking into their Scottish heritage. Shortly thereafter we have a new source of information. [I mentioned before about Joseph Barton Henderson, but did I mention the family had a naming pattern where the middle name of the boys was some hero of the day-Barton was a Revolutionary War General-was that a pattern in your family?]

While talking about your family history, reviewing history is a way to help solve some of those "dead ends" we all hit. Identifying the various periods and causes for emigration will provide ports of entry and information on departure points in Ulster and Scotland. This kind of genealogical research can be done in history books and through your public library.

Do you have "Scottish Cities" in your area—like Kearney, New Jersey, or Alexandria, Virginia—which might provide resource material.? Many of you work information with Horace Loftin or have contributed to the census indexing project. By placing your family in history, you could begin to

identify other aspects of your pedigree. Please share this information with me for inclusion in An Canach.

And along that line, we would like to hear about births and deaths in our family-and weddings. You have seen them with some regularity; however, they are mainly reports from Horace when you update your family information. Great. Keep those bits and pieces of pedigree information coming in-let me emphasize that you should submit your family information now and then complete it bit by bit later. For the newsletter, your report should be a little nearer to the event and photos are accepted [All of these reports may be online, or on the phone to help them be current].

#### For the Commissioners

**Regional Leaders** 

Please provide a list (e-mail if fine) of your regional leaders. The list should include the more obvious—convenors and body guards—and those less obvious—pipers, drummers, dancers, athletes, artists, writers et al. This list should be sent to President Rex. These folks are often overlooked and we wish to give them recognition.

Clan Recognition Time Again

hile you are submitting your leader list, please make your nominations for individuals who should be recognized by the clan for their service during 2001. No form or format, but be specific about their performance so the award committee can make a decision.

Remember that our youth send a letter of application to you for your recommendation and forwarding. Who they are, what they do, how they increase the knowledge of their Scottish heritage, and participate in Clan Henderson activities are the basics of their application letter.

All award recommendations received by 1 February 2002 will be considered. Awards will be announced in the Spring issue of An Canach.

Please send you regional leader list and award nominations to President Rex Maddox now while you are thinking about it.



# Maclan's Gathering o' the Clan

#### **OCTOBER**

- Scottish Heritage Festival PNC Arts Center Holmdel, NI
- Flora Macdonald Highland Games Red Springs, NC
- Tennessee Highland Games 5-7 MTSU Campus Murfreesboro, TN
- Connecticut Scottish Festival 6 Goshen Fair Grounds Goshen, CT
- Celtic Festival & Craft Faire Tri-State Fairgrounds Amarillo, TX



Highlands & Islands Scottish Games & Celtic Festival Gulfport, MS

- Scotland's Highland Festival Edward Waldo Homestead Scotland, CT
- All Things Scottish **Ushers Ferry** Seminole Valley Trail Cedar Rapids, ÍA
- Anne Arundel Scottish Highland Games Anne Arundel Fairgrounds, Rt.
- Crownsville, MD Radford Highlanders Festival Radford University & downtown Radford, VA (540) 831-5324
- St. Louis Games & Cultural Festival Friday night and all day Saturday Forest Park St. Louis, MO
- 20 Loch Prado Highland Gathering & Games Prado Regional Park Chino, CĂ
- Scottish Border Games & 20 Gathering Fort Smith, AR
- 20-21 Stone Mountain Highland Games Stone Mountain, GA
- Waxhaw Scottish Highland Games Briarwood Farm Waxhaw, NC

- 27-28 Bel Air Highland Festival & Games Yesleta Entrepreneur Center El Paso, TX
- Richmond Highland Games & Celtic Festival Richmond Raceway Complex (formerly Strawberry Hill) Richmond, VA Charles Henderson

#### **NOVEMBER**

- Foothills Highland Games Harman Field, Tryon, NC
- Tucson Celtic Festival & Scottish Highland Games
- Rillito Park Raceway, Tucson, AZ 2-3 Tallahassee Scottish Highland Games & Celtic Festival
- Sunny Hill Farm, Talahassee, FL Gathering of the Celts Garland County Community College Hot Springs, AR
- Ocala Scottish Games & Irish Fels Ocala, FL
- 10 Mesa Arizona Fall Fling Dinner Sponsored by the Arizona Caledonian Society
- 16-18 The Highland Games of Louisiana Jackson, LA
- Dunedin Celtic Festival Highlander Park Dunedin, FL

#### **DECEMBER**

Alexandria Christmas Walk & Henderson Ceilidh Alexandria, VA Leon Hicks



# Clan Pipers and Musicians Wanted...

I lan Henderson is establishing a database of Clan Musicians such as Pipers, Drummers. Harpists, Vocalists and other persons with musical talent. These folks may then be called upon to support the Clan when the need may arise. This could help us with Clan Walkabouts, parades, evening entertainment etc. If and when the clan may have a need for such talent, we will have a database to call upon.

Please send your name and talent to the Clan Piper, John R. Bergquist, 2112 Chama Avenue, Loveland, CO 80538-3619. Phone 970-667-8567, e-mail at johnrberk@aol.com

# A Henderson Family Bible

lan Henderson is collecting photocopied copies of information contained in family Bibles. We ask that you photocopy all the family information contained in the Bible, and then, on a separate sheet, interpret what was written there (adding information in parenthesis). Cousin Roberta Geeting Russell sent this information from the Bible of her grandparents. Might this Bible contain something to help you in your family search?



Family Bible Record of Clarles Clayton Henderson Family of Ohio, 1844-1977 [Much from Preble County].

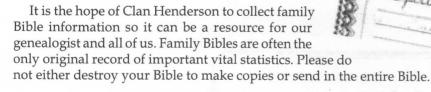
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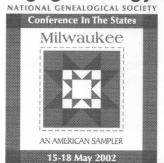
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Note that, like the extract above, your information might provide a connection to other families which could easily prove your ancestry. We ask you to prepare a recap of each page, after all you may well be able to read the names because of your relationship to the people mentioned.

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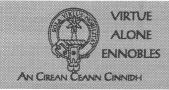
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The day it was grand as grand as could be We set out together Jess, Mike, Zac & me

As we came through the gate our hearts filled with glee When our eyes were beset by a Tartan Plaid sea



# The Spokane Highland Games

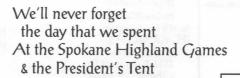
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We moved through the crowd taking in all the scene
The vendors, the critters, the weavers of dreams

The pipers did play as the dancers did fling And the hearty young lads with hammers did swing

> We spent the whole day and were reluctant to go When they walked all about at the end of the show







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